Public Notice – Environmental Project

PURPOSE OF NOTICE:

The Department of Environmental Quality seeks public comment on the state's response to the environmental aspects of a proposed project located at Naval Station Norfolk in Norfolk, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

August 28, 2009 to September 28, 2009

TYPE OF RESPONSE:

Federal Consistency Determination

DEQ is reviewing a federal action to determine if it is consistent with the U.S. Coastal Zone Management Act. The act seeks to protect the quality of air, water or other natural resources in Virginia's coastal area.

NAME OF AGENCY PROPOSING THE PROJECT:

Department of Defense/Department of the Navy

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The Department of the Navy submitted a proposal for installing approximately 300 linear feet of steel sheet-piled bulkhead no more than 2 feet channelward of the existing bulkhead. The deteriorating bulkhead, CEP-102 is located south of Pier 1 at Naval Station Norfolk. The space between the two bulkheads would be filled with lean concrete. Fendering and cleats installed along the existing bulkhead will be removed and replaced along the new bulkhead. In addition to the bulkhead, approximately 300 linear feet of riprap toe protection would be placed channelward of the new bulkhead. For 200 linear feet along the main waterway, the riprap toe protection will have a footprint of 75 feet channelward of the bulkhead and will be high enough to raise the elevation of the waterway immediately adjacent to the bulkhead to -20 feet mean low water. The remaining 100 linear feet of the riprap will be located within a slip and will have a footprint of 27 feet channelward of the bulkhead.

A federal consistency determination has been submitted for this proposal which finds it consistent to the maximum extent practicable with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Resources Management Program (VCP).

HOW TO COMMENT:

DEQ accepts comments from the public by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. The public may review the project documents at DEQ's Central Office in Richmond.

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